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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6343 NOTE PREPARED: Mar 4, 2010 BILL NUMBER: SB 128 BILL AMENDED: Mar 4, 2010

SUBJECT: Emergency Management.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Wyss BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Tincher

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> *Mutual Aid Program*- The bill includes fire protection districts and fire protection territories as units for purposes of participation in the statewide emergency mutual aid program under certain circumstances.

Expense Reimbursement- The bill provides that a county, municipality, township, fire protection district, or fire protection territory that participates in the program and that receives disaster assistance from another participating unit shall reimburse the assisting unit for certain expenses to the extent the expenses are not covered by reimbursements.

Effective Date: July 1, 2010.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Mutual Aid Program-* Provider units of fire protection districts and territories would be eligible to participate in an inter-local mutual aid program. The impact of this provision on inter-local expenditure agreements between the provider units is indeterminable. [There were 47 fire protection districts and territories in Indiana during CY 2009 with certified levies of \$17.7 M.]

Expense Reimbursement- The bill could reduce the amount of reimbursement that a local unit may pay to another unit. Any reductions in reimbursement cost from a local unit's resources would depend on insurance deductibles and coverage.

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Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Counties, municipalities, townships, fire protection districts and territories.

Information Sources: LOGODABA.

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